

Amendments to the Drawings:

The original drawings included 30 Figures on 17 sheets.

On sheet 2 including Figure 2, the darkened areas were made lighter to clarify the figure.

Sheet 3 which included a duplicate copy of Figure 2 has been deleted.

Sheet 7 which includes Figures 11 and 12-A the charts were corrected to complete the lines and place all of the text on a single line.

On Sheet 8 which includes Figures 12-B, 13, 14, 15-A and 15-B the charts were corrected to complete the lines and place all of the text on a single line.

On sheet 11 the flow chart line in box 910 was shortened.

Sheet 12 which includes Figures 21 and 22 has been modified so that Figures 21 and 22 are now on separate sheets.

Sheet 13 which includes Figures 23 and 24 has been modified so that Figures 23 and 24 are now on separate sheets.

Sheet 14 which includes Figures 25 and 26 has been modified so that Figures 25 and 26 are now on separate sheets.

Sheet 15 which includes Figures 27 and 28 has been modified so that Figures 27 and 28 are now on separate sheets.

Sheet 16 which includes Figure 29 has been labeled prior art.

Attachments:

Annotated Sheets showing changes
Replacement Sheets

Remarks

Claims 1-31 are pending.

Claims 1-31 stand rejected.

Claims 1, 8, 15 and 18-31 are amended.

Claims 1-31 are hereby submitted for review.

No new matter has been added.

On pages 1-19 of the Office Action, the Examiner has objected to numerous aspects of the specification, claims and figures. Applicants have amended these portions of the specification, claims and figures according to the Examiner's suggestions and respectfully request that these objections be withdrawn

Turning to the prior art rejection, the Examiner has rejected independent claims 1, 8 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Bobo II (U.S. Patent No. 5,870,549). Also independent claim 25 has been rejected as unpatentable over Bobo II in view of Johnson (U.S. Patent No. 5,664,109).

Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner and submit the following remarks in response.

The present invention as claimed in independent claim 1 is directed to a fax storage and retrieval system having a fax receiving module configured to receive a plurality of facsimile documents from a plurality of fax devices. A document attribute module allows a user to associate each incoming fax document to a unique attribute set *related to at least one feature contained on at least one of the facsimile documents.*

A fax page splitter module is configured to split the images of each of the facsimile documents into individual image pages and a document storage and retrieval

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system, coupled to said fax receiving module, stores each of the pages of the plurality of facsimile documents such that each of the pages is individually retrievable *using the unique attribute set from the document attribute module*. Independent claims 8, 15 and 25 each include at least a similar functioning attribute moudle or attribute assigning process (claims 15 and 25). For example, claim 25 includes the additional feature of displaying to the user the images of each page of the received fax documents.

As noted in paragraphs [0130] - [0135] such an arrangement allows the system to receive numerous facsimile documents, from various sources, and using an attribute module, assign each document(s) to a particular file based on an attribute contained in the facsimile. Thereafter, additional facsimiles received having the same attribute on the facsimile documents may be assigned to the same file for easy recalal at a later date.

The cited prior art, namely Bobo II teaches a message delivery and storage system. However, it does not appear that Bobo teaches all of the elements of the present invention. For example, the Examiner cited to Figure 17 of Bobo with regards to the document “attributes.” However, Figure 17 of Bobo merely contains a “type of document” field 302 that simply identifies whether the incoming transmission is a telephone call, a facsimile etc... (because Bobo receives communications from multiple types of input devices). This is confirmed by lines 43-50 of column 23 in Bobo. Such a disclosure in Bobo is not the same as the attribute module of the present invention.

As such, the cited prior art does not teach or suggest all of the elements of the present invention as claimed. For example, the cited prior art does not teach or suggest a document attribute module which allows a user to associate each incoming fax document to a unique attribute set *related to at least one feature contained on at least one of the*

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facsimile documents and where each of the pages is individually retrievable *using the unique attribute set from the document attribute module.*

For at least this reason Applicants submit that the prior art does not teach all of the elements of independent claims 1, 8, 15 and 25 and respectfully request that the rejection of these claims be withdrawn. Also, as claims 2-7, 9-14, 16-24 and 26-31 depend from claims 1, 8, 15 and 25 respectively, these claims should be allowed for at least the same reasons.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 1-31 are in condition for allowance, the earliest possible notice of which is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner feels that an interview would facilitate the prosecution of this Application he is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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APPENDIX

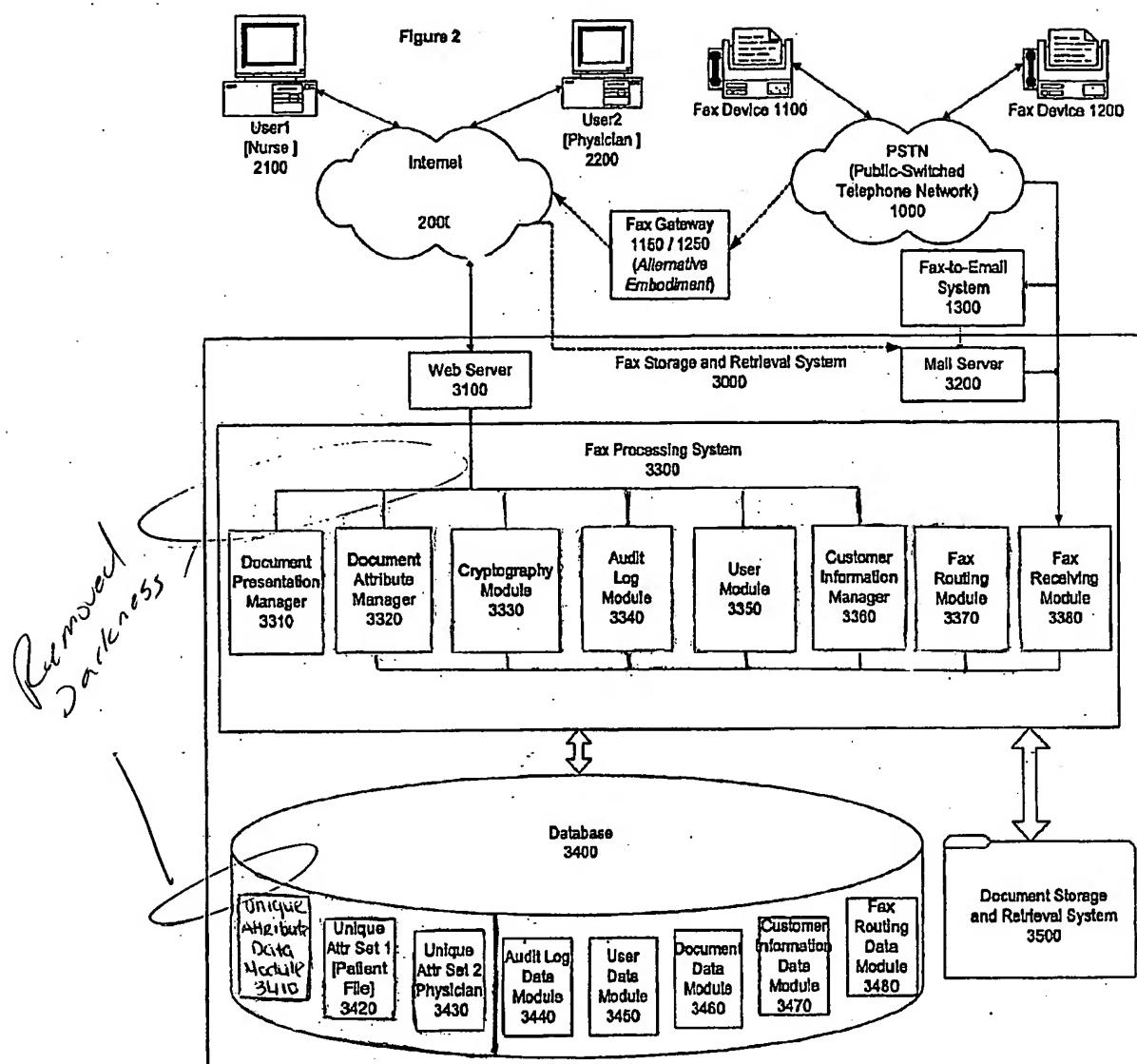


Figure 11
FaxRoutingInfo Table 3482

FaxRoutingInfoId	FaxNumber	EmailAddress	CustomerId	DepartmentId	MemberId	Description
17	1-866-947-0512	001@fax.mmf.com	13	12	5	

fixed
table

Figure 12-A
Document Table 3462

DocumentId	CustomerId	FaxRoutingInfoId	ReceivedDateTime	NoOfPages	ReceivedFrom
1029	13	17	03-Jan-01	2	212 982 0031

fixed
table

Figure 12-B
DocumentPages Table 3464

DocumentPageId	UniqueCaseId	DocumentId	DocumentPageNo	UniqueCasePageNo	State
10397	765	1029	1	1	3
10398	766	1029	2	1	3

Fix
Xa61e

Figure 13
Customer Table 3472

CustomerId	CustomerName	CustomerCode	SessionTimeout	ContactName	ContactEmail	ContactPhone
13	Test Hospital	TH01	30	Peter Paul	ppaul@cn.co m	212-333-4444

Figure 14
User Table 3452

UserId	LoginID	Password	UserType	Firstname	Lastname	CustomerId	CustomerCode	Disable
107	kjohnson	E93o30033	1	Kelly	Johnson	13	TH01	0
108	john	w882jy729	0	John	Smith	13	TH01	0

Figure 15-A
AuditAction Table 3442

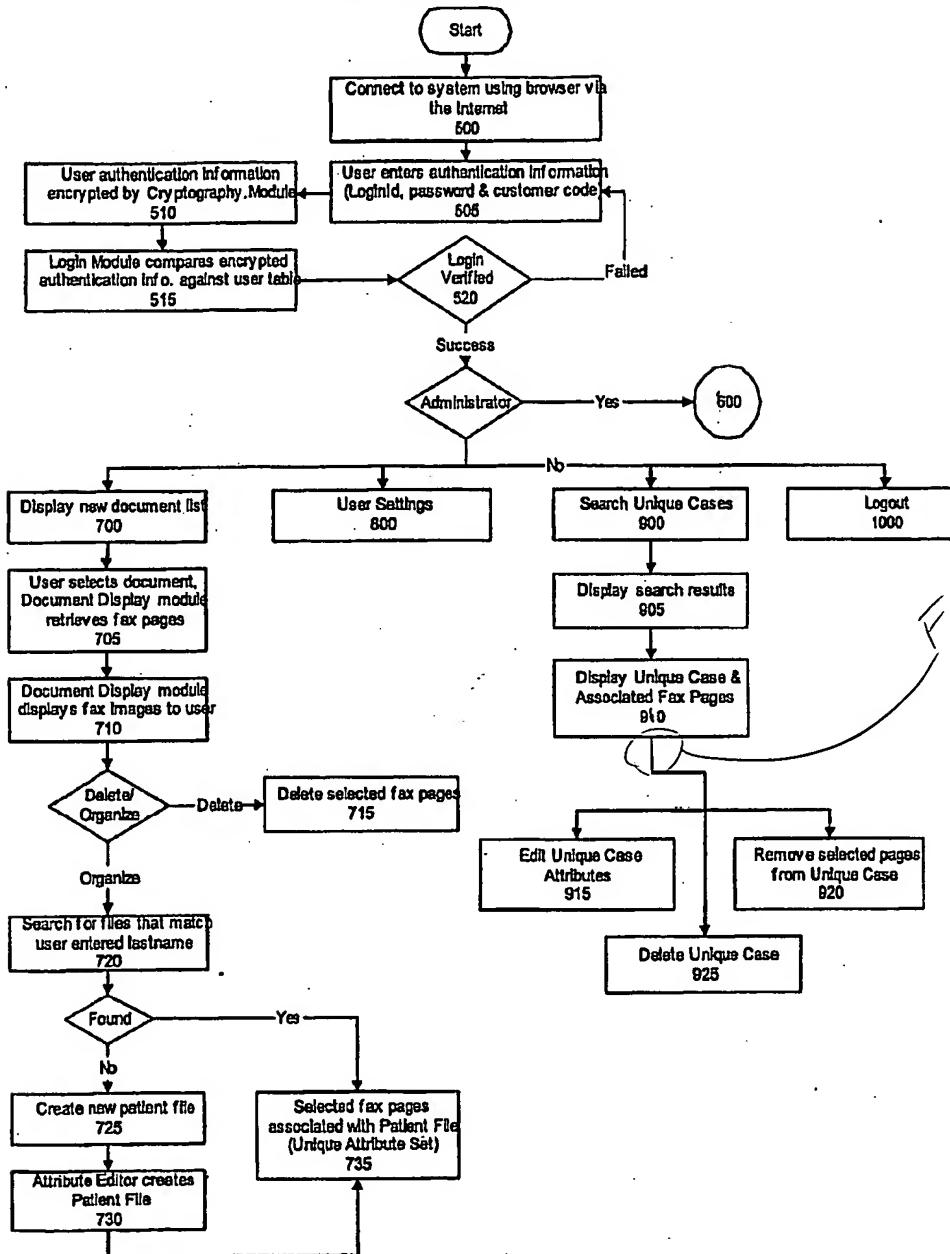
AuditActionId	Description	DataType
1	Document Reviewed	NULL
2	Document Filed	1
3	Unique Case Attribute1 Changed	2

Figure 15-B
AuditLog Table 3444

AuditLogId	UserId	AuditActionId	Objectid
1092	108	1	1029
1093	108	3	1076

Document Display and Organization

Figure 20
Process Flow Chart



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List of Incoming (un-reviewed) Faxes

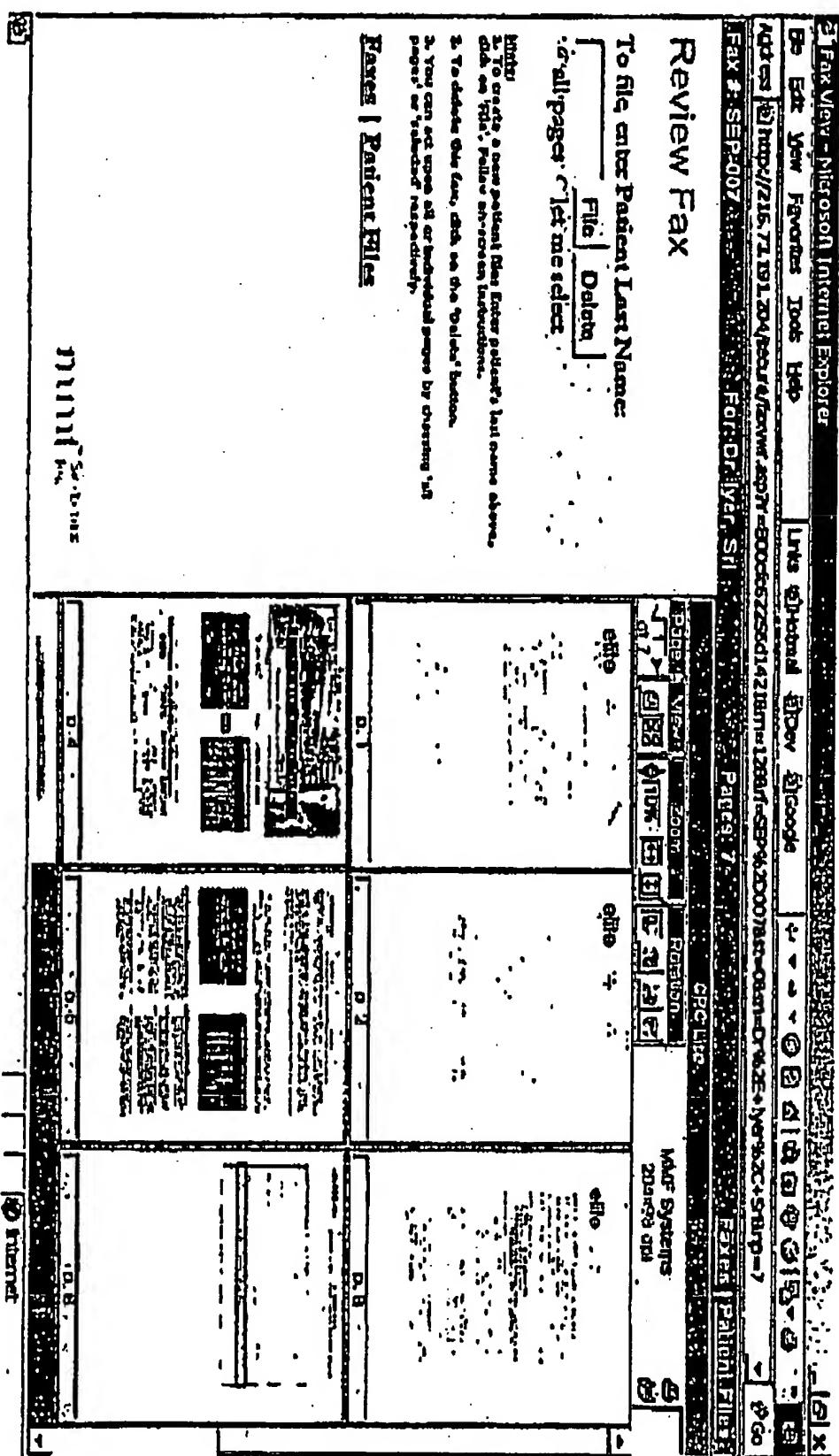
List of faxes - Microsoft Internet Explorer					
File	Edit	View	Favorites	Tools	Help
Address	[http://216.73.191.204/secure/faxlist.aspx?pt=8000f662255d1421]	Links	Home	Help	Google
Logout Settings Patient Files					
<h2>Faxes</h2>					
<h3>Un-reviewed faxes in Inbox</h3>					
<p>Help: The "Review" link below, allows you to organize Fax contents into patient files. You can also delete unwanted faxes.</p>					
Inbox (10) Deleted					
Fax #	Date/Time	To/Fax	From	For	Page
SEP-008	09/26/2001 06:12:10 PM	Unknown	Dr. Perkins, Bridget	3	Review
SEP-009	09/26/2001 06:12:10 PM	Unknown	Dr. Perkins, Bridget	2	Review
SEP-006	09/26/2001 06:12:10 PM	+2029282789	Dr. Ryan, Grl	2	Review
SEP-007	09/26/2001 06:12:10 PM	7189722235	Dr. Ryan, Grl	2	Review
SEP-003	09/26/2001 06:12:41:00 PM	+2029282789	OR Suite #1	2	Review
SEP-002	10/15/2001 02:12:14:17 PM	OR Suite #1	OR Suite #1	3	Review
SEP-003	10/15/2001 02:12:14:17 PM	OR Suite #1	OR Suite #1	3	Review
SEP-004	10/15/2001 02:12:14:17 PM	OR Suite #1	OR Suite #1	3	Review
SEP-005	10/15/2001 02:12:14:17 PM	OR Suite #1	OR Suite #1	3	Review
SEP-001	10/15/2001 02:12:14:17 PM	OR Suite #1	OR Suite #1	3	Review

TIP: Faxes can be sorted by clicking on column headings that appear as links.

Done

Internet

Figure 22
Viewing a Fax
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placed on one

New Unique Attribute Set (Patient File)

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Fax View - Microsoft Internet Explorer
File - View Favorites Tools Help
Address http://216.73.91.204/secure/secure.aspx?ID=113&PageNumber=1&SortOrder=0&SortType=Normal
Fax #: SEP-0075 Date: For Dr. [redacted] SRE
Patient File
First name [redacted]
Last name [redacted]
Birth Date [redacted]
Unique Id [redacted]
Physician [redacted]
Proc. Date [redacted]
Keywords [redacted]
Create Back

(* required fields, * at least one required)

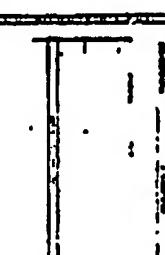
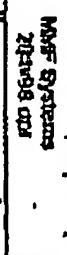
0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6

[redacted]
Done
Internet

Unique Attribute Set (Patient File) Found

Figure 24

Please see
one page.

Fax View - Microsoft Internet Explorer		
Be - Edit - View Favorites Tools Help		
Address: http://216.73.191.204/secure/faxm.aspx?600366225142 [Home] [Search] [Help] [Feedback]	Units Preferences Home Search Google	
<p align="center">Confirm</p> <p align="right">[Cancel] [Search Again] [New File]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Smith, John Birth Date: Unique Id: Physician: Dr. Siegel, Jeffrey Doc. Date: Keywords:</p>		Pages: 7 Print CFG Line Fax Patient File
		J-1 
		J-2 
		J-3 

Method of
One Page

Search Unique Cases (Patient Files)

3 Patient Files - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help URL Address Bar Go Back Stop Refresh

Address <http://255.73.191.204/search.asp?...>

Logout | Setup | Print | Home | Help | ...

Patient Files

To find Patient Files, enter one or more values below and click on the 'Get Files' button.

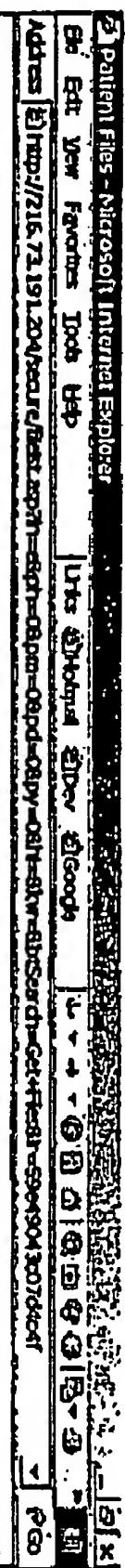
Patient Name	<input type="text"/> (Last or first name)
Physician	<input type="text"/> - select - <input type="button" value="..."/>
Procedure Date	<input type="text"/> [-m-] <input type="text"/> [-d-] <input type="text"/> [-y-] (Month, year and/or day)
Unique Identifier	<input type="text"/> (Record Number/SSN/etc.)
Keywords	<input type="text"/>
Search Deleted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Check to look for deleted patient files only)

TIP: You can enter partial values, e.g. entering "P" in the patient name will bring up all patient files that have the letter "P" in the first name or last name.

Figure 26

List of Unique Cases (Patient Files)

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Patient Files

8 patient file(s) found.

Click on the corresponding icon to view a file. (TIP: To view truncated information, hold the mouse cursor over the eyeglass icon).

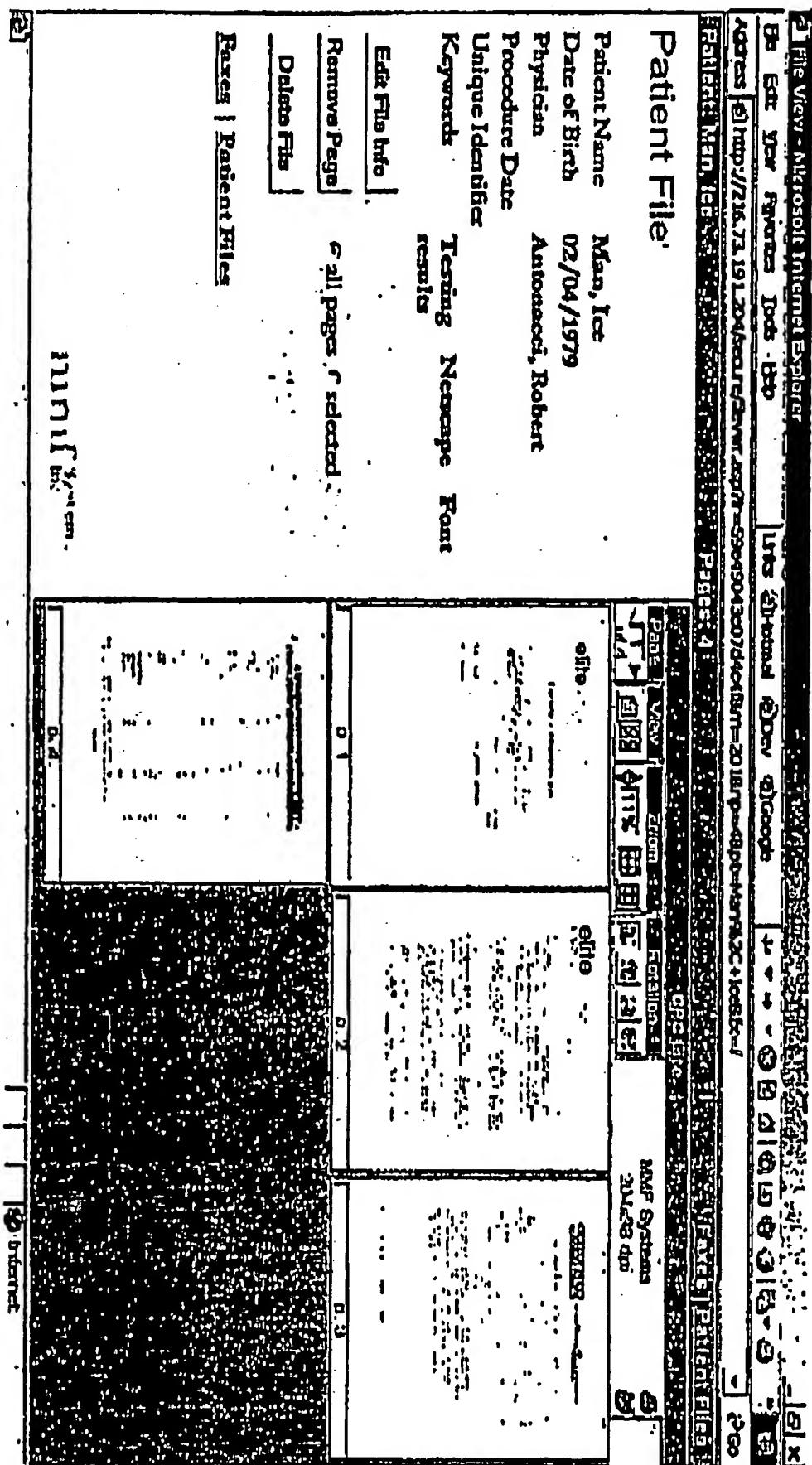
To find patient files: Click on the "Search Patient Files" link at the top-left corner of the patient files list to find a patient file.

Figure 27

View Unique Case (Patient File)

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Figure 28

Edit Unique Case (Patient File) Attributes

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Be Eat New Favorites Tools Help

URLs Home Other Google

Address (<http://216.73.191.204/secureviewer.aspx?u=59049043&caseid=20130624000222>) Back

Secure Viewer Page 4 of 4

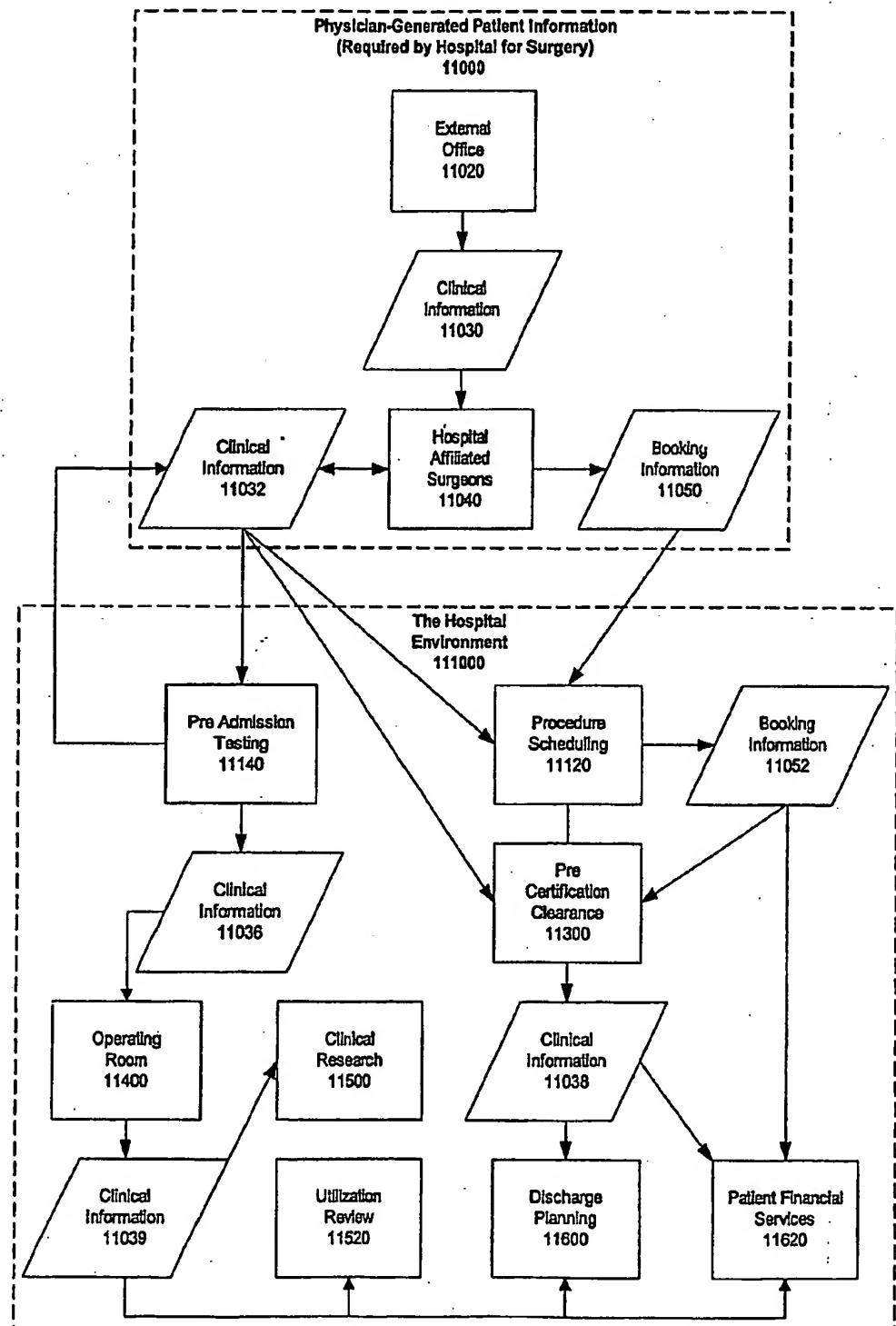
Patient File

First name	<input type="text" value="Joe"/>
Last name	<input type="text" value="Man"/>
Birth Date	<input type="text" value="Feb 14 1978"/>
Physician	<input type="text" value="Antonucci, Robert"/>
Proc Date	<input type="text" value=""/>
Unique Id	<input type="text" value=""/>
Keywords	<input type="text" value="Testing Netscape Form"/>

Press "Update" when done.

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Figure 29
Hospital Procedural Information Flow (Base Case)



Prior Art

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